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Application No: 09/537,425  
Applicant(s): Yoshio HAGIHARA  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, dated March 12, 2004, be extended for one month to May 12, 2004.

A response to the Office Action, dated March 12, 2004, is filed concurrently herewith.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization for the one month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) is submitted herewith. In the event that the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization is not present, is not sufficient, or is not acceptable,

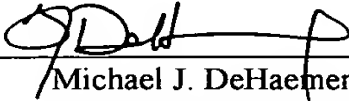
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